

What is claimed is:

1. A composition for promoting fibroblasts and karatinocytes proliferation, which comprises an extract from a seed of *Areca catechu* and an extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra*.

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2. A cosmetic composition with dual function for skin whitening and remedy of skin wrinkles comprising: (a) an extract from a seed of *Areca catechu* and an extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* as an active ingredient; and (b) a

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3. The cosmetic composition according to claim 2, wherein each of said extract from the seed of *Areca catechu* and said extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* is present in an amount of 0.001-1.0 wt% based on the total weight of said composition.

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4. The cosmetic composition according to claim 2, wherein said extract from the seed of *Areca catechu* and said extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* is entrapped into a biosome.

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5. The cosmetic composition according to claim 4, wherein said biosome is present in an amount of 0.05-20 wt% based on the total weight of said composition.

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6. The cosmetic composition according to claim 4, wherein said extract from the seed of *Areca catechu* and said extract from *Glycyrrhiza glabra* is entrapped into said biosome with an amount of 0.01-5.0 wt% based on the total weight of said biosome.

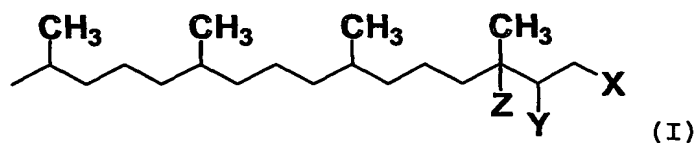
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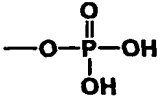
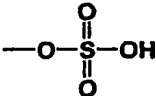
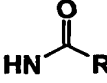
7. The cosmetic composition according to claim 4, wherein

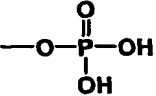
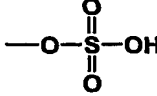
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said biosome is prepared by use of a non-ionic surfactant and a ceramide bound to glycerin.

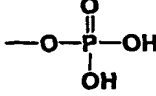
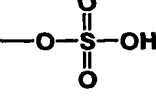
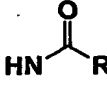
8. The cosmetic composition according to claim 7, wherein
5 said ceramide is a pseudoceramide represented by the following formula (I):



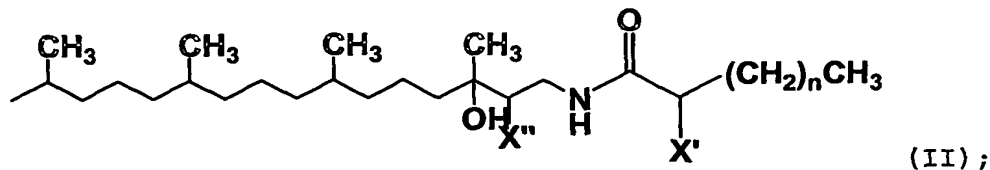
wherein Z represents -OH and Y represents -OH,  or  with the proviso that X is ; Z represents -OH

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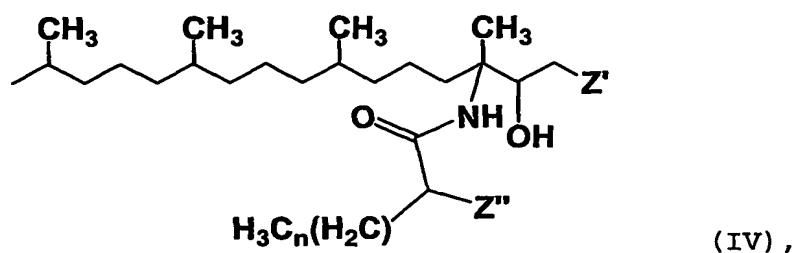
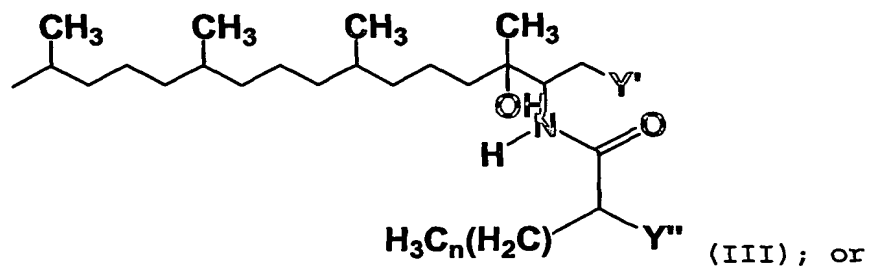
that Y is ; Y represents -OH and X represents -OH,

 or  with the proviso that Z is ; R represents a linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbon group; and when substituted, R has one
15 or more -OH groups.

9. The cosmetic composition according to claim 8, wherein
said pseudoceramide represented by the following formula (II),
(III) or (IV):

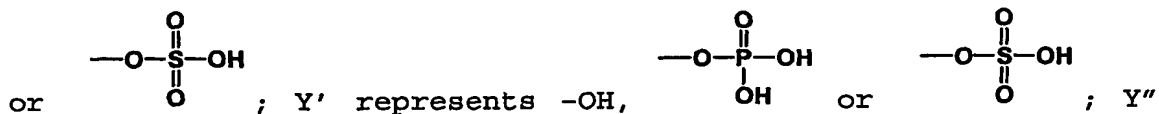


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wherein X' represents H or -OH; X'' represents -OH,



represents H or -OH; Z' represents -OH, $\text{—O—P(=O)}_2\text{—OH}$ or $\text{—O—S(=O)}_2\text{—OH}$;
Z'' represents H or -OH; and n is 0 or an integer of from 1 to 47.

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10. The composition according to claim 2, wherein said cosmetic composition is in the form of one selected from the group consisting of a solution, a suspension, an emulsion, a paste, an ointment, a gel, a cream, a lotion, a powder, a soap, a surfactant-containing cleanser, an oil, a powder foundation, an emulsion foundation, a wax foundation and a spray.

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